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LETTER DATED 16 JANUARY 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that between 11 and 14 November 1994 a number of United States helicopters overflew the Iraqi port of Mina' al-Bakr several times a day at different altitudes.

Furthermore, at 1600 hours on 11 November 1994 a United States Navy vessel approached Mina' al-Bakr from the east and then withdrew. It returned at 0530 hours on the following day with a helicopter gunship on board, approaching to a distance of 1.5 nautical miles from the port. It remained there until 0700 hours and then withdrew and disappeared from sight.

These incidents confirm that the United States of America is continuing to engage in provocative actions against Iraq.

I request you to intervene, as required by the responsibilities entrusted to you under the Charter of the United Nations, with a view to preventing any recurrence of such unwarranted actions and so that stability, peace and security may prevail in the region.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
